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Preston Grover is returning to Moscow tomorrow. After another year and a half, he will be reassigned for two years by the Associated Press, until he reaches the age of 65. He has been with AP for over 35 years. In my opinio he is one of the finest men I have ever known.

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August 3, 1962 - Friday

Hugh Fraser lunched with me at Bucks. While we were waiting, the Prime Minister and Lord Home arrived, so I had an opportunity for a short chat with them.

Hugh agreed to what I had been instructed to ask him.

Max Ascoli, publisher and owner of The Reporter, called on me this afternoon. Born in Italy, he still retains a strong Italian accent. He is a vigorous, enterprising fellow. He said Phil Horton is still editing the journal, and to his satisfaction.

I referred to the rumors so often current about his desire to sell The Reporter. He said there was no truth whatever in them, so I assume his wife, the forme" Miss Rosenwald, is agreeable to continuing it along present lines.

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Toast: "To the Future We Celebrate" - July 4, 1962

Our annual Independence Day celebration in London is characterized by at least one remarkable feature; our guests are almost equally divided into British and Americans. Nor is there a better illustration of the good sportsmanship and friendliness of the British than the acceptance of an invitation by so distinguished an individual as Lord Mancroft to be our guest of honor on this occasion.

How does one explain the intimate relationship between two nations that has now peacefully persisted for almost one hundred and sixty years? I shall not repeat the hackneyed interpretations of ~~why~~ how this happy situation is due to a shared language, ancestral origins, similar executive, legislative and judicial institutions, the common law, love of liberty respect for the individual. These habits ties, traditions, and convictions do unite us.

But perhaps there is a stronger bond between us, forged by mutual need and self-interest. If the past be any measure of the future, each has learned that in times of great national crisis, the other can be trusted to come to his relief.

The solidarity between our two peoples on matters affecting our vital interests is, I believe, the most important force for peace in the world of today.

The British can continue to drive motor cars on the wrong side of the road, to weigh themselves in stones instead of pounds, to kill rather than catch salmon, to prefer cricket to baseball and tea to coffee, to drink warm beer, or whiskey without ice, and the Americans will look upon such eccentricities with amused, even admiring, eyes.

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